Statement—III

Steps taken by the Government of NCT of Delhi for tracing the parents of inmates and facilitating restoration to their respective families

A. Steps taken for inmates belonging to Delhi:

(1) Registered letters/postcards are sent at the address given by children. Letters are also sent simultaneously to the in charges of the local police station & Pradhans of the respective villages. Missing Persons Squad is also contacted.

(2) If the parents or the address of children are not traceable then the photographs of such children are published in leading newspapers.

(3) If the address/the parents are located by the above two steps, either the parents of children turn up to take their children or the Welfare Office of the institution visit them and facilitates them in restoration of their children.

(4) The last step in restoration in that the parents come to the Child Welfare Committees who after identification handover the children to them.

B. Steps taken for inmates belonging to outside Delhi:

(1) Registered letters/postcards are sent at the address given by children. Letters are also sent simultaneously to the in charges of the local police station & Pradhan of the respective villages.

(2) Telephonic communication is also made in the cases where the children are able to tell their telephone numbers.

(3) If the address/the parents are located by the above two, either the parents of children turn up to take their children. If the parents are not able to come because of poverty or some other reasons, such children are sent to their parents or the respective children home of the State under Police Protection.

New Schemes for Women and Child Development

547. SHRI DARA SINGH: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of new schemes for development of women and children which Government are contemplating to start during 2006-07 particularly schemes for providing employment and imparting professionals training in urban/rural areas (State-wise);

(b) the details of funds allocated under the above schemes for undernourished/handicapped children scheme-wise, NGO-wise and State-wise; and

(c) whether Government have carried out any study/survey on the working of the previous schemes, if so, the outcome thereof, indicating the number of women and children benefited under such schemes, State-wise;

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY): (a) The Government has no plans to implement any new scheme for women and children during the balance part of the current financial year.

(b) Not applicable.

(c) The working of schemes being implemented by this Ministry has been reviewed from time to time. The outcome indicating number of women and children benefited, State-wise, under these schemes are provided in the Annual Reports of the respective years of the Ministry of Women and Child Development, which are available in the library of Rajya Sabha.

Trafficking of Girls of N-E and West Bengal

†548. SHRI SAMAN PATHAK: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the fact that poor minor girls in different parts of the country, especially working in the tea gardens in North-East and West Bengal are lured and brought by the touts in Delhi and other metros of the country and on the pretext of providing them employment, these touts sexually exploit these minor girls; and

(b) if so, whether Government are taking any concrete steps to check such types of crimes?

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